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Honorable Richard Chenev The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Vice President Cheney,

I wish to thank you for taking a leadership role in the efforts to solve the energy issues that challenge our nation. On behalf of myself and the employees of Power Resources, Inc., a Wyoming uranium producer, I ask for your continued endorsement and support of Energy Secretary Abraham's decision to release the Preliminary Site Suitability Evaluation ("PSSE") affirming the use of Yucca Mountain as a permanent underground repository for high-level radioactive waste. This key scientific report should help the federal government meet its legal obligation to safely dispose of the spent nuclear fuel that is accumulating at reactor sites throughout the country.

I know you understand the importance of resolving this issue now, rather than leaving it for future generations. The issuance of the PSSE will be crucial in accomplishing this objective. Additionally, this will be a vital step towards developing the workable national energy policy that you have been so instrumental in shaping.

I appreciate your attention to this important decision, as it is essential to the continued health of the United States nuclear industry and would be of significant economic benefit to Wyoming.

Sincerely.

POWER RESOURCES, INC.

What I lender

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